

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00692-ABJ**

SEARLE v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/28/2018  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/28/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against ARMY ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5392713) filed by ROBERT CHRISTOPHER SEARLE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet Cvr Sht, # <u>2</u> Summons Service Summons, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 3, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 4)(Brown, Christopher) (Entered: 03/28/2018)
03/28/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (zsth) (Entered: 03/29/2018)
03/29/2018	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (1) Issued Electronically as to U.S. Attorney. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsth) (Entered: 03/29/2018)
03/29/2018	<u>3</u>	REQUEST FOR SUMMONS TO ISSUE re <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by ROBERT CHRISTOPHER SEARLE. Related document: <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by ROBERT CHRISTOPHER SEARLE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons AG)(Brown, Christopher)

		(Entered: 03/29/2018)
03/30/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (2) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY and U.S. Attorney General (znmw) (Entered: 03/30/2018)
04/17/2018	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 4/13/2018. (Brown, Christopher) (Entered: 04/17/2018)
04/17/2018	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 4/13/2018. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 5/13/2018. (Brown, Christopher) (Entered: 04/17/2018)
05/11/2018	<u>7</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (Haugh, Jeremy) (Entered: 05/11/2018)
05/14/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>7</u> Motion for Extension of Time. Defendant must file an answer to the complaint by June 12, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 05/14/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 05/14/2018)
06/12/2018	<u>8</u>	Consent MOTION to Amend/Correct <u>1</u> Complaint, by ROBERT C. SEARLE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order Proposed Order)(Brown, Christopher) (Entered: 06/12/2018)
06/14/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties are ordered to meet and confer to determine whether an explanation by plaintiff can result in a more targeted search and streamlined process. The parties must file a joint status report by June 21, 2018. In the meantime, the Court will hold plaintiff's <u>8</u> motion for leave to amend his complaint in abeyance. (lcabj3) (Entered: 06/14/2018)
06/22/2018	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by ROBERT C. SEARLE. (Brown, Christopher) (Entered: 06/22/2018)
06/25/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>8</u> Consent Motion to Amend Complaint. Plaintiff must file an amended complaint by July 9, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 06/25/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 06/25/2018)
07/09/2018	<u>10</u>	AMENDED COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY filed by ROBERT C. SEARLE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 4, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 5, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 6, # <u>7</u> Exhibit 7, # <u>8</u> Exhibit 8, # <u>9</u> Exhibit 9)(Brown, Christopher) (Entered: 07/09/2018)
07/31/2018	<u>11</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (Haugh, Jeremy) (Entered: 07/31/2018)
08/05/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>11</u> Motion for Extension of Time. Defendant must file an answer to the complaint by August 7, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 08/05/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 08/05/2018)
08/06/2018	<u>12</u>	ANSWER to <u>10</u> Amended Complaint, by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY.(Haugh, Jeremy) (Entered: 08/06/2018)
08/06/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure appear to be inapplicable. Defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, on or before August 20, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 08/06/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 08/06/2018)
08/06/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The Court amends its prior Minute Order issued on 8/6/2018 to reflect that defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, on or before September 4, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 08/06/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 08/06/2018)
09/04/2018	<u>13</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Haugh, Jeremy) (Entered: 09/04/2018)

09/05/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file an updated status report by September 14, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 09/05/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 09/05/2018)
09/14/2018	<u>14</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Haugh, Jeremy) (Entered: 09/14/2018)
09/14/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file an updated status report by September 24, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 09/14/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 09/14/2018)
09/17/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant must file an updated status report by 9/24/2018. (jth) (Entered: 09/17/2018)
09/24/2018	<u>15</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Haugh, Jeremy) (Entered: 09/24/2018)
09/25/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file an updated status report by October 12, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 09/25/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 09/25/2018)
10/12/2018	<u>16</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Haugh, Jeremy) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/12/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In light of defendant's status report <u>16</u> , it is ORDERED that defendant shall file another status report by October 31, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 10/12/19. (DMK) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/18/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 10/31/2018. (tb) (Entered: 10/18/2018)
10/31/2018	<u>17</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Roberto Cesar Martens on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Jeremy A. Haugh (Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 10/31/2018)
10/31/2018	<u>18</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 10/31/2018)
11/01/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must submit an updated status report by November 21, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/01/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 11/01/2018)
11/21/2018	<u>19</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. (Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
11/28/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit an updated status report by December 19, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/28/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 11/28/2018)